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SUBJECT: STEVENS' COMMENTS ON TREATMENT IN THE US

1. ON HIS RETURN MAY 5TH FROM COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE IN KINGSTON, PRESIDENT STEVENS SPOKE BEFORE GROUP OF CABINET, DIPLOMATS AND LEADING SIERRA LEONEAN OFFICIALS. IN REVIEWING MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF TRIP, STEVENS STRESSED THE EXCELLENT HOSPITALITY ACCORDED HIM IN US. HE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED THOUGHTFUL AND PLEASANT MEETING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAVIS. STEVENS MENTIONED THAT HE HAD RAISED BETHSTEEL NEGOTIATIONS WHICH HAD PRACTICALLY BEEN CONCLUDED SATISFACTORILY EXCEPT FOR "ONE OR TWO ISSUES".

2. PRESIDENT GAVE SPECIAL PRAISE TO US SECRET SERVICE FOR PROFESSIONAL AND DISCREET BEHAVIOR DURING HIS STAYS IN MIAMI AND NEW YORK. HE SAID THAT HIS OWN SECURITY GUARDS COULD LEARN A LOT FROM THE APPROACH USED BY US SECRET SERVICE.

3. COMMENT: EMBASSY GREATLY APPRECIATES TREATMENT FOR STEVENS THAT HAS LED TO HIS MAKING ABOVE COMMENTS. LOCAL OBSERVERS INDICATE THAT HIS GRATUITOUS PRAISE

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OF US PORTION OF TRIP OUT OF KEEPING WITH HIS AND

GOSL'S NORMAL STYLE. END COMMENT.
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